

8 November 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Senior Seminar Weekly Report  
1 - 5 November, 1971

1. The Senior Seminar completed Block V-B, "The Agency's Non-official Environment: Domestic Change of Relevance to CIA." Highlights included the presentation by [redacted] who was supposed to cover broad social change in America, but tended to concentrate on political, economic and social issues from a Black's point of view. [redacted]

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[redacted] who is now with [redacted] lined in lively fashion the outlook for US national priorities as reflected in the federal budget and fiscal process through 1976.

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[redacted] lived up to his high reputation in discussing the media and CIA.

[redacted] brought his extensive background as a correspondent and commentator on all three major networks in giving his views on a wide range of subjects. Both these men were laudatory toward the Agency and indicated--apparently in contrast to the expectations of the Seminar participants--that CIA's image among media representatives is that of a highly professional, responsible and respected organization.

2. Also as part of Block V-B, [redacted] interpreted to the Seminar the characteristics and attitudes of the youth culture or subculture in a low-keyed, but most insightful and articulate manner. Mr. [redacted] sat in on [redacted] talk and observed afterwards that he found the presentation interesting and useful. [redacted] was followed by [redacted] a psychiatrist at the [redacted] who analyzed the drug culture in the US and its underlying factors. [redacted] a member of the Seminar, concluded coverage of the general subject with a discussion of the Agency's policy toward the use of drugs by applicants and employees. [redacted] a well-known and much-published member of the [redacted] gave a generally critical interpretation of US national security policy.

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4. The Seminar also completed its evaluations of the Block covering the series of visits to other Agencies, which took up the preceding week, and that on domestic change reported above. Preliminary readings of these indicate that enthusiasm for the Seminar continues at a high level.



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